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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this response to an Office Action mailed May 7, 2008. The amendments and remarks as provided herein are considered timely submitted in view of a Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fees that accompanying this paper.

In view of the amendments and remarks provided herewith, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and requests allowance of claims pending with their Application for patent.

Applicants submit the following as provided in:

Amendments to the Claims reflected in the Listing of Claims that begin on page two;

Remarks that begin on page five; and

Conclusion that begins on page 9 of this paper.